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John Schwantes

(FORM UPDATED: 08/11/2010)

# WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE ... PUBLIC HEARING - COMMITTEE RECORDS

2011-12

(session year)

### Senate

(Assembly, Senate or Joint)

Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, and Higher Education...

#### **COMMITTEE NOTICES ...**

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## INFORMATION COLLECTED BY COMMITTEE FOR AND AGAINST PROPOSAL

- Appointments ... Appt (w/Record of Comm. Proceedings)
- Clearinghouse Rules ... CRule (w/Record of Comm. Proceedings)
- Hearing Records ... bills and resolutions (w/Record of Comm. Proceedings)

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(ajr = Assembly Joint Resolution)

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Miscellaneous ... Misc

PDF - Record of Committee Proceedings for Executive Appointment Schwantes, John from 01-20-2012

#### **Senate**

#### **Record of Committee Proceedings**

#### Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, and Higher Education

**Schwantes, John**, of Elkhart Lake, as a member of the Wisconsin Technical College System Board, to serve for the term ending May 1, 2017.

December 27, 2011 Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, and Higher Education.

January 19, 2012 PUBLIC HEARING HELD

Present: (7) Senators Schultz, Harsdorf, Kedzie, Moulton, Hansen,

Shilling and King.

Absent: (0) None. Excused: (0) None.

#### Appearances For

• John Schwantes, Elkhart Lake

#### **Appearances Against**

• None.

#### Appearances for Information Only

• None.

#### **Registrations For**

Eric Esser, Madison — Appointments Director, Office of Governor Walker

#### Registrations Against

None.

#### Registrations for Information Only

None.

#### January 19, 2012 **EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD**

Present: (7) Senators Schultz, Harsdorf, Kedzie, Moulton, Hansen,

Shilling and King.

Absent: (0) None.

Excused: (0) None.

Moved by Senator Schultz that **Schwantes**, **John** be recommended for confirmation.

Ayes: (7) Senators Schultz, Harsdorf, Kedzie, Moulton,

Hansen, Shilling and King.

Noes: (0) None.

CONFIRMATION RECOMMENDED, Ayes 7, Noes 0

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# Vote Record Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, and Higher Education

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# SCOTT WALKER OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR STATE OF WISCONSIN

P.O. Box 7863 Madison, WI 53707

December 20, 2011

To the Honorable, the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate and with the advice and consent of the Senate, do appoint Mr. John Schwantes to be a Public Member on the Wisconsin Technical College System Board to serve a term expiring on May 1, 2017.

Mr. Schwantes will be available to the Senate for hearings and my staff will assist in any way they can.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Walker Governor



# SCOTT WALKER OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR STATE OF WISCONSIN

P.O. Box 7863 Madison, WI 53707

December 20, 2011

Mr. John Schwantes W6224 County Road Ff Elkhart Lake, WI 53020-1906

Dear Mr. Schwantes:

I am pleased to appoint you to the Wisconsin Technical College System Board, effective December 20, 2011. Your experience, knowledge, and dedication will be a true asset to my administration and a great benefit to the people of Wisconsin.

I look forward to working with you to find innovative ways of delivering services and implementing positive change for the citizens of our state.

Sincerely,

Scott Walker Governor



## SCOTT WALKER

# OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR STATE OF WISCONSIN

P.O. Box 7863 Madison, WI 53707

#### **GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT**

NAME:

John Schwantes

MAILING ADDRESS:

W6224 County Road Ff

Elkhart Lake, WI 53020-1906

E-MAIL ADDRESS:

jschwantes@johnsonville.com

RESIDES IN:

Elkhart Lake, WI

TELEPHONE:

920.876.2377 (h)

920.946.8902 (c)

**OCCUPATION:** 

Director of Plant Member Services

Johnsonville Sausage

APPOINTED TO:

Wisconsin Technical College System Board

Governor's Appointee 4

TERM:

A term to expire May 1, 2017

**SUCCEEDS:** 

Dr. Michael D. Rosen

SENATE CONFIRMATION:

Required

DATE OF APPOINTMENT:

December 20, 2011

DATE OF NOMINATION:

December 20, 2011

#### JOHN E. SCHWANTES W6224 County FF Elkhart Lake, WI 53020 (920)-876-2377

#### **OBJECTIVE**

Provide Human Resources leadership at an executive level in a progressive organization.

#### HIGHLIGHTS OF QUALIFICATIONS

- Self motivated, goal oriented and process driven
- Fourteen years Human Resources experience
- Extensive Labor Relations experience
- Proven people and project management skills
- Extensive leadership education

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

December 2007 -

JOHNSONVILLE SAUSAGE

Sheboygan Falls, WI

Present

Director- Plant Member Services

#### Responsibilities:

Member of the company-wide Operations Leadership team

Responsible for Member Services for six plant locations with 1050 members which includes all recruiting, employee relations and readiness planning activities

> Oversee contract with Staff Management for the contingent workforce of 400 associates

#### Accomplishments:

> Recruited for and staffed ninety-three positions in 2010

Lead workforce planning team in the creation of comprehensive plan to fill our most difficult to fill positions in the three to seven year time frame

Documented and rolled out hiring process to hiring managers

May 2005 -

#### KOHLER COMPANY

Kohler, WI

November 2007

Manager Human Resources-Power Systems

#### Responsibilities:

- Member of executive team for Power Systems Business
- Responsible for 900+ associate business.
- Lead Succession Planning program
- > Developed hiring process for Human Resources and hiring managers
- Serve on Kohler's Diversity Counsel

#### Accomplishments:

- > Recruited for and staffed eighty-four professional positions in 2005 with an average fill time of 80
- Reduced fill time on open positions by 25 percent in 2005
- Created manpower plan for 2006 and for strategic plan for 2007-2011
- Hire all new Human Resources staff
- Provided organizational development guidance to improve the Global Procurement and Marketing re-organization

September 2000 -

#### KOHLER COMPANY

Kohler, WI

May 2005

Manager Human Resources-Engines

#### Responsibilities:

- Lead Human Resources functions at Kohler's Wisconsin, Hattiesburg, MS and Mexico City locations with total employment of 1,200 associates
- Member of Human Resources executive team for Kohler Company
- > Member of executive team for Engine Business
- Labor Relations responsibility for union represented plant in Wisconsin and Mexico
- Serve on Safety Steering Committee for Engine Business

#### Accomplishments:

- > Staffed fifty-nine professional positions
- Filled one hundred seventy-five factory positions in 2004 due to a ramp-up of production
- Conducted process redesign for the factory hiring process and reduced fill time from 48.5 days to 11
- HR cost reductions: \$54,200 in cost savings and \$70,900 in benefit consolidation savings in 2004

#### KOHLER COMPANY Manager Employee Relations

Kohler, WI

- Center of Excellence-Labor Relations, for all of Kohler Company's operations in North America
- Company bargaining committee member for labor contract negotiations with our 4,000+ union membership
- Contract administration including training, grievance settlement, associate transfers and layoffs, legal resolutions, discipline and terminations
- Affirmative Action compliance manager for all of the Kohler Company

June 1998- August 1999

KOHLER COMPANY

Kohler, WI

July 1994-January 1997

Staff Project Engineer

- > Lead new plan start-ups in China and Mexico. Project scope was from justification through construction including the development of the plant's operating budgets and manpower plans
- Implemented major capital and process improvement projects at various domestic and international operations

January 1997-

THRIVENT FINANCIAL

Appleton, WI

June 1998

District Representative

Assisted Lutherans and their families achieve financial security through analysis of their financial goals and recommendations of financial products to meet those goals

April 1990 -July 1994

#### KOHLER COMPANY

Kohler, WI

General Supervisor of Industrial Engineering-Pottery

- Directed Factory Payroll, Safety and all project management
- Coordinated cost reduction program
- Implemented major capital and process improvement projects at the divisional level

July 1978 -

#### KOHLER COMPANY

Kohler, WI

Plymouth, WI

Redeemer Church

Kohler Credit Union

1998

1994-2005

1992-1997

Supervisor of Industrial Engineering-Pottery July 1994 Coordinated all factory hiring, transfers and layoffs

- Conducted manpower planning
  - Created job descriptions and performed job evaluations
  - Managed the work measurement function
  - Responsible for contract administration and grievance settlement
  - Developed factory work cells utilizing "Just in Time" methodology

#### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

"Outstanding Family of the Year"

Mentor for youth

Board of Directors

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	ip/Human Resources Seminars Attended:	Dale Camegie	2006
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•	Kohler Leadership Development Program (for High	Kohler Co.	2004
	Potential and Star leaders at Kohler)	University of Michigan	2003
•	Strategic Human Resource Planning	Business School	
•	Kohler Leadership Forum	Kohler Co.	2002
•	Human Resources conference and workshop	Kohler Co.	2000,2002,2004
•	Human Resources conference and wormans	Sheboygan County	
	Toastmaster-Competent Toastmaster		
Commun	nity Involvement:	North-Eastern, WI	2000-Present
•	Board of Directors-Bay Area Workforce Development	Lakeshore Tech. College	2010- Present
•	Human Resources Advisory Committee	Sheboygan Co. Chamber	2010- Present
•	Business Advocacy Committee	of Commerce	
	School Board Member and President (eight contracts	Plymouth, WI	1994-2003
	negotiated)	Sheboygan County	2009-Present
•	Workbound of Sheboygan County - Board member	Sheooygan County	1998

**EDUCATION** 

UW-MILWAUKEE

Milwaukee, WI

Masters in Human Resources and Labor Relations (formerly Masters in Industry and Labor Relations)

MILWAUKEE SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING

Milwaukee, WI

Bachelors in Industrial Management

MORAINE PARK TECHNICAL COLLEGE Associates in Industrial Engineering Technology Fond Du Lac, WI

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS

Basketball, walking, fishing, skiing and reading investing and self-improvement books

# State of Wisconsin\Government Accountability Board

Ethics & Accountability Division P.O. Box 7984 212 E. Washington Ave, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Madison, WI 53707-7984 Phone (608) 266-8005 Fax (608) 264-9319 E-mail: GABEthics@wi.gov



KEVIN J. KENNEDY Director and General Counsel

1/6/2012

Senate Committee Members:

The attached Statement of Economic Interests is provided with regard to the individual's nomination to a State Public Office by Governor Scott Walker.

Sincerely, STATE OF WISCONSIN GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY BOARD

Nominee:

Schwantes, John R.

Nomination Date:

12/20/2011

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Mall or fax to: Wisconsin Government Accountability Board, P.O. Box 7984, Madison, WI 53707-7984, Fax: (608)-26

Statement of Economic Interests

Filed in 2011 for calendar year 2010

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State position:

Name:

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(held or sought) (include agency, division, branch or district, if applicable)

FOR EXPLANATIONS, EXAMPLES AND EXCEPTIONS SEE THE INSTRUCTIONS OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT <a href="http://igab.wi.gov">http://igab.wi.gov</a>. Still have queations? For priority service send an e-mail to: <a href="mailto:gabethice@wisconsin.gov">gabethice@wisconsin.gov</a>; otherwise leave a detailed message at (\$08) 261-2028.

\*\*Attach additional pages as needed/Please See Instructions. \*\*

Part A

## Information current as of 12/20/2011

#### 1. INVESTMENTS.

a) Funds Available in Wisconsin Deferred Compensation Program. These funds are available to participants in the Wisconsin Deferred Compensation program and many of them are also available for direct purchase, independent of that program. If you held an investment of \$5,000 or more in any of these funds — either directly or through the program — please check the appropriate box.

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International American Funds EuroPacific R6				Fidelity Contrafund				FDIC Bank Option		
BlackRock EAFE Equity Index				Vanguard Institutional Index Fund Plus						
				Vanguard Wellington – Admiral Shares						

b) Other Investments. List stocks, bonds, limited partnerships, Wisconsin governmental securities, and multial and money market finds to which you and your family's interest was valued at \$5,000 or more.

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3. COMMERCIAL CUSTOMERS, CLIENTS, AND TENANTS. For each unincorporated business, subchapter S corporation, service corporation (SC), limited liability company (LLC), partnership, or income-producing real estate reported In Item 2 from which the filer or a member of the filer's immediate family received \$10,000 or more in 2010, list businesses, organizations, and lobbyists that paid the enterprise \$10,000 or more in celendar year 2010.

Check if the organization authorized you to represent it in its dealings with others as an altorney-at-law, agent, spokesperson, or representative.

Businesses, organizations, lobbyists that were customers, clients, or tenants	City	State	"/"
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4. BUSINESS PARTNERS. For each enterprise reported under Item 2, list its co-owners, partners, officers, and directors (other than yourself), unless the information is already registered with the Wisconsin Department of Financial Institutions.

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5. NON-COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE. List the specific location of WISCONSIN REAL ESTATE in which you or your family had an interest (except your principal residence and real estate whose location you listed in item 2).

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6. OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS. List organizations of which you or a family member was an officer or director (unless listed in

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I have done so intentionally because there is nothing to report.

Signature of person filing

The information sought in this form is required by §§19.43 and 19.44, Wisconsin Statutes. Failure to file a completed form may result in a forfeiture of up to \$500. Statements of Economic Interests are open for public inspection. The Government Accountability Board will notify you of the Identity of any person who examines your Statement. In accordance with §15.04(1)(m), Wisconsin Statutes, the Government Accountability Board states that no personally identifiable information is likely to be used for purposes other than those for which it is collected.